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Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief

The reply filed on March 2, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants are reminded that the previous appeal brief was defective because it was not signed; however, the new appeal brief now omits the required elements of the brief under 37 CFR 41.37(c). In particular, the Evidence Appendix and the Related Proceeding Appendix are missing, which were provided in accordance with the original Notice of Non-compliant Appeal Brief. Further, it is unclear why the pages of the claim appendix ~~are~~ labeled as "page i" and "page ii" ~~The examiner has also noted that the claim~~ *have* ~~appendix has~~ a different serial number listed when the instant application is 09/726,589.

Applicants are reminded that the period to respond continues to run from the date of the Notification of Non-compliant Appeal Brief mailed on February 15, 2006

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ernesto Garcia whose telephone number is 571-272-7083. The examiner can normally be reached from 9:30-5:30. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Daniel P. Stodola can be reached at 571-272-7087.

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